



Venice Sailing Squadron Spring and Fall Series Second Amendment to the Sailing Instructions Effective: December 5, 2020; 10:00a

The following sections of the Sailing instructions are amended as follows and shall be in effect for the duration of both the 2020-2021 Fall and Spring Series (changes are highlighted):

5. COURSES AND MARKS: The courses are described in Appendix A and the selected course will be announced on VHF Channel 69 before the race. For boats in Division A (rated 201 or less,) the course shall have an additional two legs to the first or last mark (as specified at on VHF Channel 69 and the Skipper's Meeting) and then back to the finish area. For Division A boats racing between the third and fourth leg of the race, they shall cross the established start/finish line and round either pin. For Division A boats racing between the fourth and final fifth leg of the race, should the initial triangle be clockwise, that mark shall be rounded to starboard and should the initial triangle be counter-clockwise, that mark shall be rounded to port. The racing marks are floating buoys as described in the Skippers' Meeting. They are normally a yellow or orange float anchored at the mark position. In the event a mark is missing at the designated position, the race committee shall be informed via VHF channel 69 immediately and the designated position shall be used as a "virtual" mark.

7. STARTING SEQUENCE: All races will be started using the pursuit-start system using start times beginning 5 minutes after the Warning Signal based on the boat's rating for that race (See Appendix B / Scratch Sheet.) ~~Prior to the Warning signal, a boat must declare which rating and which configuration she will use for that race.~~

The start times are calculated using the time distance method. The allowances will be applied at the start by delaying the starts of faster boats by the appropriate amount. If applicable, different start times will be provided for possible spinnaker use. Boats in Division A (rated 201 or less) shall use the "Long Course (8.35nm)" starting time. Boats in Division B shall use the "Short Course (5.0nm)" starting time.

10. SCORING: Race scores shall be based on the number of boats that compete in a particular race (N) as follows:

First Place	N
Second Place	N-1
Third Place	N-2
Fourth Place	N-3 (and so on)

Series scoring shall be determined using the High-Point Percentage of Perfection Scoring System: Divide the sum of her race scores by the sum of the points she would have scored if she had placed first in which she competed. Series scores shall be calculated to the second decimal place. Ties shall be broken to favor the boat which has beaten the other in more races. Divisions A and B shall be scored separately (This amendment shall be retroactive to the beginning of the series.)